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05CAIRO6577	2005-08-25 14:24	2011-08-30 01:44	CONFIDENTIAL	Embassy Cairo

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SUBJECT: VISIT OF NEA ASSISTANT SECRETARY WELCH: MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER NAZIF

Classified by Charge D'Affaires Stuart Jones, for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

Summary

[1](#)1. (C) NEA Assistant Secretary Welch met with Egyptian Prime Minister Nazif on August 18 to discuss bilateral and regional issues. Welch point

The Peace Process

[1](#)2. (C) Nazif noted that he had been asked during his visit to the U.S. last spring what the U.S. needed to do to improve its image in the Mid

Egypt's Reform Agenda

[1](#)3. (C) Nazif said his visit to the U.S. had also helped him to focus his message about reform in Egypt. The key component of the message was t

Presidential Elections

[1](#)4. (C) Regarding the upcoming elections, Welch said that the international community would be looking at 4 things. First, the numbers: how was

[1](#)5. (C) Nazif agreed that the entire region was interested in what was happening in Egypt, but real political reform would take time. The presi

[1](#)6. (C) Nazif expressed appreciation for Deputy Secretary Zoellick's recent statement about Egypt, and said he hoped to continue coordinating w

Radio Sawa

[1](#)7. (C) Continuing on the issue of media, A/S Welch raised the issue of a license for Radio Sawa. Nazif explained that Mubarak had rejected iss

[1](#)8. (C) Welch asked if it would be possible to receive assurances that the Radio Sawa issue would be resolved in the context of media reform. N

U.S. Assistance

[1](#)9. (C) Continuing on the issue of U.S. assistance, Nazif said that he would like to see additional review of how U.S. assistance funds were sp

Progress in Iraq

[1](#)10. (C) Turning to Iraq, Nazif asked how the political process was progressing. Welch replied that progress had been made; importantly, it was

Sinai Attacks

- ¶11. (C) Regarding recent events in the Sinai, Welch said that the U.S. would try to be accurate and fair in its advisory about travel to the s
- ¶12. (C) Nazif said he didn't think the overall economy would be affected by the July 23 bombings in Sharm el Sheikh. Gulf businessmen were mov
- ¶13. (U) This message was cleared by A/S Welch.

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